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June 16, 2003

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Hon. James H. Welsh, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275 - Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

Dear Sir:

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. requests the calling of a public hearing, after due legal notice, to consider the following matters pertaining to the 16 Marker Zone, 2 Sand, X-5 Sand, 5A Zone, 6A Sand, and 7A Zone in the Buras Levee District E No. 181 Well, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of all hydrocarbons from the sands defined below.
2. To establish single drilling and production units for all the sands defined below.
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts and mineral leases and other mineral interests within the units.
4. To designate Chevron U.S.A. Inc. as operator of the various units.
5. To designate Chevron's Buras Levee District E Well No. 181 as the unit well for all the units formed.
6. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate wells for said units shall be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
7. To provide for future reclassification of the reservoirs without the necessity of a public hearing if such reclassification becomes necessary due to a change in production characteristics.
8. To consider such other matters as the Commissioner may deem pertinent.

The 16 Marker Zone, Reservoir F, in West Bay Field is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the electric log depths of 6,164 (-6,096 SS TVD) feet and 6,280 (-6,202 SS TVD) feet in the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. - Buras Levee District E Well No. 181, located in Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The 2 Sand, Reservoir E, in West Bay Field is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the electric log depths of 6,495 (-6,379 SS TVD) feet and 6,530 (-6,407 SS TVD) feet in the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. - Buras Levee District E Well No. 181, located in Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The X-5 Sand, Reservoir A, in West Bay Field is hereby defined as being that hydrocarbon bearing sand encountered between the electric log depths of 7,134 (-6,825 SS TVD) feet and 7,164 feet (-6,843 SS TVD) in the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. - Buras Levee District E Well No. 181, located in Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The 5A Zone, Reservoir E, in West Bay Field is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the electric log depths of 7,432 (-7,003 SS TVD) feet and 7,730 (-7,180 SS TVD) feet in the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. - Buras Levee District E Well No. 181, located in Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The 6A Sand, Reservoir C, in West Bay Field is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the electric log depths of 7,899 (-7,280 SS TVD) feet and 7,940 (-7,304 SS TVD) feet in the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. - Buras Levee District E Well No. 181, located in Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The 7A Zone, Reservoir C, in West Bay Field is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the electric log depths of 8,925 (-7,896 SS TVD) feet and 9,200 (-8,060 SS TVD) feet in the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. - Buras Levee District E Well No. 181, located in Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Chevron will provide for the advertisement of the legal notices in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the West Bay Field, and also will post the legal notices and unit plats in a prominent place in the area of the field. Chevron will also mail a copy of said legal notices to Interested Owners, Represented Parties and to Interested Parties.

Attached are (1) a copy of the unit plats, (2) a list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties, and (3) our check in the amount of \$4530.00 to cover the application fees.

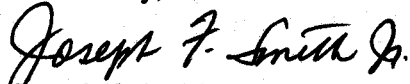
A copy of this application, plats and list attached, is being sent to Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager, Lafayette, Louisiana. A copy of this application and plats are also being sent to each Interested Owner, Represented Party, and Interested Party after a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

The pre-application conference was not held since Chevron did not receive a request to confer.

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All pertinent data relating to the subject application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana, 70002. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data that is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Mr. Gilbert **at the cost of the requesting party.** Any other questions or concerns should be directed to the undersigned at Chevron U.S.A. Inc., 935 Gravier St., Room 1944, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112, telephone number (504) 592-6710.

Yours truly,



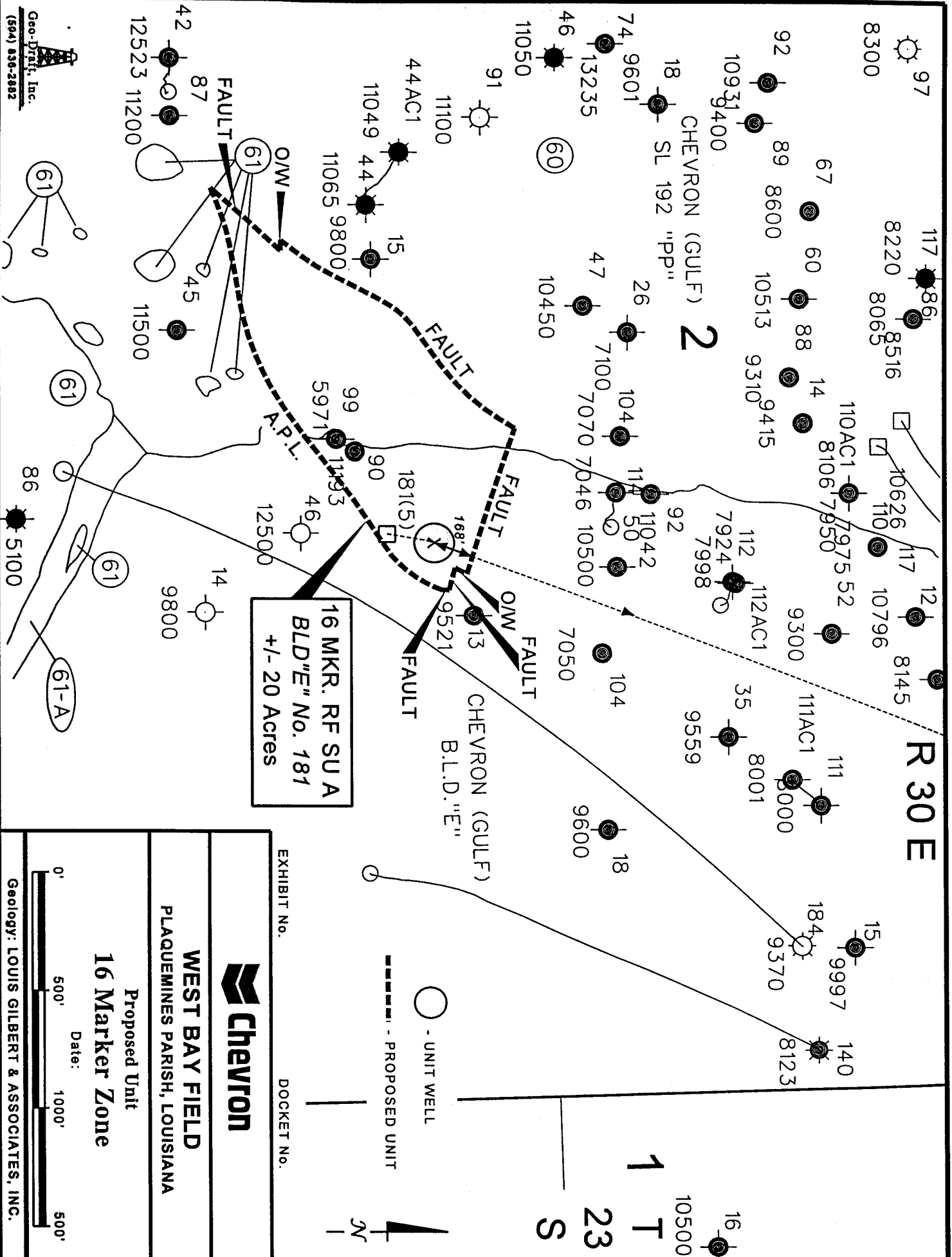
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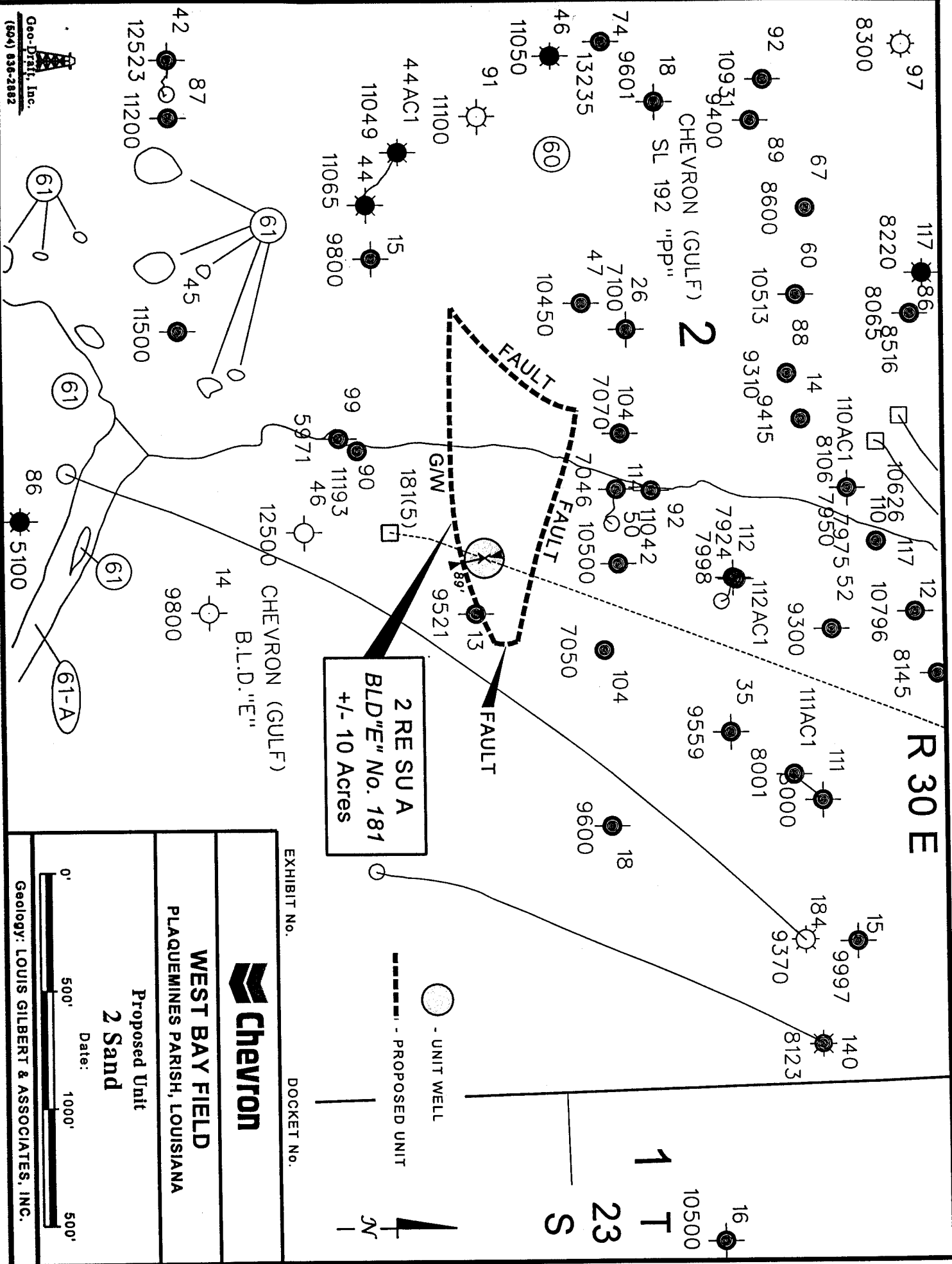
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Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties



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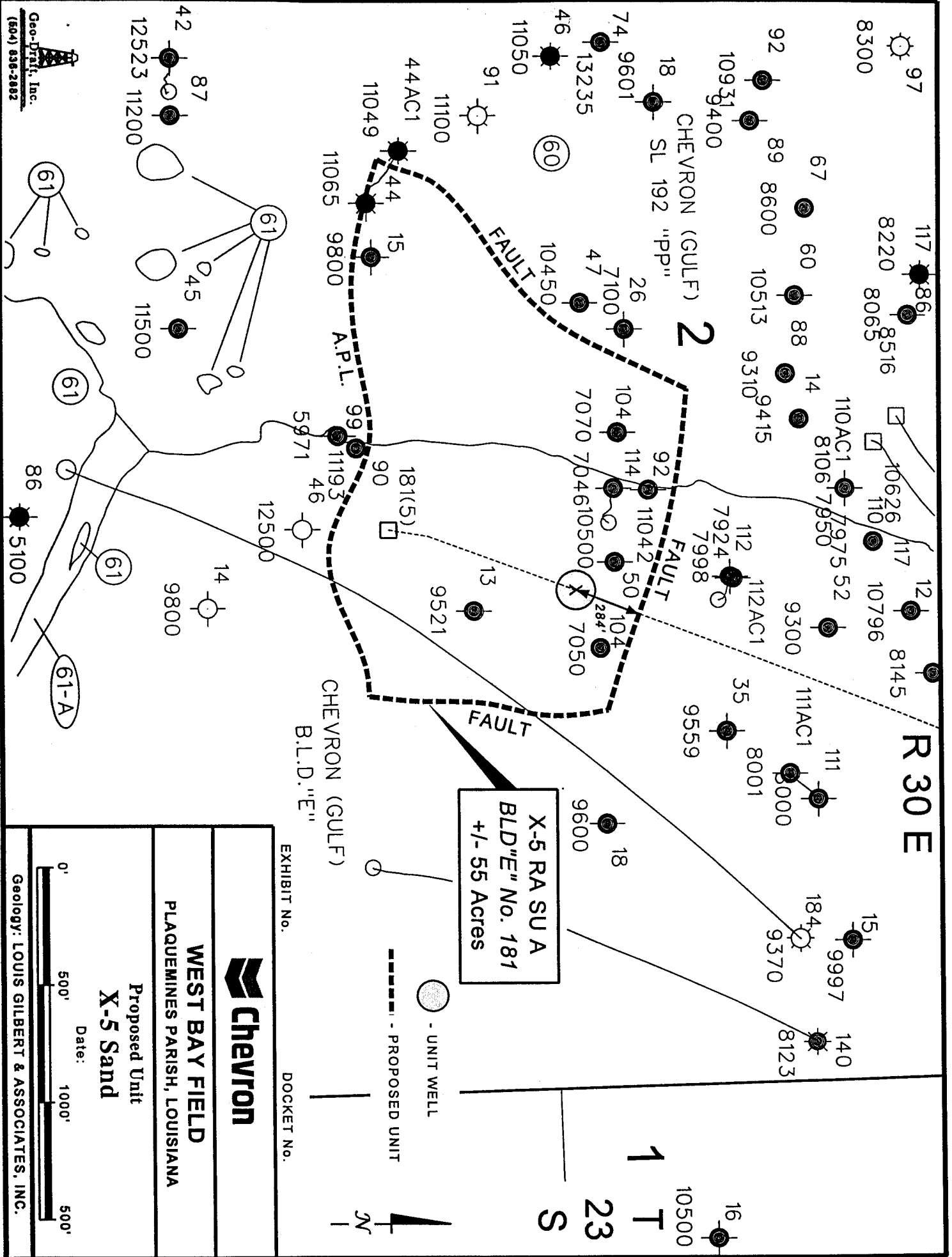
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA

Proposed Unit

2 Sand

Date:

Geology: LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.



X-5 RA SU A
BLD"E" No. 181
+/- 55 Acres

EXHIBIT No.

DOCKET No.



WEST BAY FIELD
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA

Proposed Unit
X-5 Sand

Date:



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